



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON
DISABILITIES
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
<http://laccod.org>**

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

1:00 PM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-1678)

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Call to Order. (12-1628)

The meeting was called to order by President Troost at 1:05 p.m., and he welcomed new Commissioner Ruben Anthony Rios, Fourth District.

Present: President John B. Troost, Vice President Janet A. Neal, 2nd Vice President John R. James, Commissioner Wan Chun Chang, Commissioner Edward A. Colley, Commissioner Maria Mustelier-Parrish, Commissioner Winslow C. Reitnouer, Commissioner Ruben Anthony Rios and Commissioner Alexia Teran

Excused: Treasurer Kecia Brook Weller, Commissioner Michael G. Gureckas, Commissioner Steve Miller, Commissioner Wendy Welt Narro and Commissioner Sheila D. Wright

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of Minutes (Statement of Proceedings) from the meeting of March 21, 2012. (12-1620)

On motion of Vice President Janet A. Neal, seconded by Commissioner Alexia Teran, this item was approved.

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2. Discussion and Approval to purchase refreshment for the 2012 Scholarship Presentation and reception to be held on June 26, 2012, in the amount not to exceed \$500. (12-1208)

On motion of Commissioner John R. James, seconded by Vice President Janet A. Neal, this item was approved.

3. Appoint Ad-Hoc Nominating Committee members comprised of Commissioners representing each Supervisorial District. (12-1638)

Commissioners Parrish, Teran, Reitenour, Rios and James volunteered as members of the Ad-Hoc Nominating Committee; Commissioner Parrish will serve as Chair of the Committee. Staff will work with Commissioner Parrish to coordinate the Committee meeting and ascertaining the nominating officers.

II. SET MATTER

4. **SET ITEM 1:30 P.M.**

Discussion on disabled placard parking enforcement by:

Sharon Bilbrey, Manager, Los Angeles County Sheriff Parking Enforcement Detail

Chief Greg Savelli and Sergeant Jesse Dyar, City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation - Parking Enforcement and Traffic Control Division (11-1761)

Sharon Bilbrey, Manager, Los Angeles County Sheriff Parking Enforcement Detail, provided an overview of her division duties pertaining to the issuance of citation to individuals who misuse disabled parking placard, and education of individuals who unwittingly violate or fail to display their placards properly. In addition, she stated there are 19 patrol stations comprised of a total of 48 enforcement officers responsible for enforcement in the unincorporated areas in the City of Los Angeles. The Department is currently in the process of hiring more officers.

Paul Vasquez, Assistant Manager, Los Angeles County Sheriff Parking Enforcement Detail (PED), reported the parking enforcement detail assists the Sheriff's Department patrol the ramps at Metro stations, the focus is on educating first time violators as to ramp usage. The PED also assist in the training of Department volunteers who monitor and educate individuals utilizing the ramps and parking lots at Metro Stations.

Gregory J. Savelli, Chief of Parking Enforcement, Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), reported LADOT is working to improve disabled placard legislation, conducting stings against businesses falsely using medical placard; he added the stings have been successful in finding abusers of the placards.

Robert Coto, Daniel Garcia, and Joseph DeGuerre, addressed the Commission.

President John Troost and Vice President Janet Neal thanked the presenters for their insightful information.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the item was received and filed.

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III. REPORTS

5. President's Report for the Month of April 2012. (12-1623)

President Troost reported that Dr. Jose Rivera, the Commission's liaison from Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE), attended the April 16, 2012 Events Committee meeting conducted by Vice President Neal, and that discussions were held on the growing concerns of abuse of disabled students in Los Angeles County. During discussion, "Dr. Rivera stated all new hires to LACOE are subjected to a vigorous and extensive national background check".

President Troost stated he will announce the Los Angeles County Commission on Disabilities Scholarship program at the Los Angeles Trade Tech advisory meeting on April 19, 2012; he also asked new Commissioner Ruben Rios to give a brief self introduction and description of his career experience.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the item was received and filed.

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6. Report by Events Committee on meeting held April 11, 2012. (12-1624)

Vice President Janet Neal reported on the Events Committee meeting held April 11, 2012. She stated that discussions were held on the souvenir program, planning of the Access Awards Luncheon, Arts and Essay contest, scholarship program was advertised on her radio show and special guest at the Events Committee meeting was Dr. Jose Rivera from Los County Office of Education. Also, the deadline to submit an application for the scholarship program has been extended to April 26, 2012.

Vice President Neal submitted a donation in the amount of \$1,000 to the Scholarship Program received from President John Troost.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the item was received and filed.

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7. First Quarter Financial Report presented by the Treasurer. (12-0854)

On behalf of Treasurer Weller, Ms. Emma De Jesus, Staff, reported on the Commission's Trust Fund account balance.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the item was received and filed.

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8. Report by Chip Hazen, ADA Compliance Administrator for Los Angeles County Transportation Authority (METRO). (12-0850)

On motion of Vice President Janet A. Neal, seconded by Commissioner Winslow C. Reitnouer, this item was continued without discussion to May 16, 2012.

9. Monthly report by Louis Burns of Access Services, Inc. (12-1625)

Mr. Louis Burns, Access Services, submitted a verbal report on the following:

1. **Access Services, Inc. is working with the Braille Institute to provide transportation to students.**

2. He also reported the following in Access Services fleet of vehicles:

- **in the category on non-dedicated vehicles, there are currently 533 vehicles in the Eastern Region, 533 in the West Central Valley;**
 - **106 vehicles in the Southern region;**
 - **500 in the East Division, 533 in the West Central region. In the dedicated vehicle category, there are 10 in the Eastern region, 27 in the West Central Valley and 30 in the Southern region.**
- 3. Access Services peak hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Daniel Garcia, addressed the Commission.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the item was received and filed.

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- 10. Report by Kurt Hagen, Commission on Disabilities appointed Access Board representative on Access Board meeting held for the month of April 2012. (12-1627)**

Mr. Kurt Hagen provided a handout regarding Access Services Annual report from the meeting held in March 2012.

Mr. Daniel Garcia addressed the Commission on this item.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the item was received and filed.

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

- 11. Announcements by Commissioners. (12-1626)**

Ms. De Jesus announced that the Chinese Delegation has requested to meet with the Commission in May or June 2012. She urged the Commissioners to inform staff of their availability in order to coordinate a favorable meeting date with the Chinese Delegation. In addition, she announced Commissioners were invited to the 2012 Commissioners' Leadership Conference to be held on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in Downtown Los Angeles.

Matters Not Posted

12. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (12-1231)

No matters were posted for a future meeting.

Public Comment

13. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (12-1639)

Daniel Garcia and Joseph DeGuerre, addressed the Commission.

Adjournment

14. Adjournment for the meeting of April 18, 2012. (12-1622)

On motion of Vice President Janet A. Neal, seconded by Commissioner Winslow C. Reitnouer, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.